

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 5, 2005

H.R. 184 Controlled Substances Export Reform Act of 2005

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on June 29, 2005

H.R. 184 would permit the Attorney General to authorize the export of certain controlled substances from the United States to a country for subsequent export to another country if certain conditions are met. Current law allows U.S. companies to export controlled substances only to the countries where they will be used. Based on information from the Department of Justice, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 184 would have no significant effect on the department's spending on drug enforcement activities. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 184 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

On May 13, 2005, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 184 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce on May 4, 2005. The two versions of the bill are identical, as are the cost estimates.

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